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For:	Intermittent Coating Apparatus and Intermittent Coating Method		

## INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Asst. Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Pursuant to the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. 1.56, Applicants are enclosing an Information Disclosure Citation Form (PTO-1449) which lists the reference cited in the specification of the application.

An Amendment is being filed concurrently herewith to amend the specification to describe the Japanese patent document discussed on page 1 as being Japanese Patent *Application* No. 7-311997, rather than being a “*Laid-open* Application. Application No. 7-311997 has been published and so it now can be referred to as JP Laid-open H8-229481).

It is respectfully requested that the cited document be considered by the Examiner in the above-identified patent application and that the cited document be made officially of record therein. It is further requested that a listing of the same appear on the face of any patent which may issue from this application.

An Official Action on the merits has issued for this application. In accordance with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. §1.97(d), Applicants attach a check for \$180 in payment of the requisite fee (37 CFR §1.17(p)).

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